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REPORT SUMMARY

Performance Audit
Chippewa Correctional Facility and Straits
Correctional Facility
Department of Corrections

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The mission of Chippewa Correctional Facility (CCF) and Straits Correctional Facility (SCF) is to protect society by providing a safe, secure, and humane setting for staff and prisoners. CCF opened in 1989 and has a prisoner capacity of 1,150. CCF houses minimum security (level I), medium security (level III), and close security (level IV) male prisoners. SCF opened in 1988, has a prisoner capacity of 960, and houses minimum security (level I) male prisoners. CCF and SCF are located in Kincheloe, Michigan.

Audit Objective:

To assess CCF's and SCF's compliance with selected policies and procedures related to safety and security.

Audit Conclusion:

We concluded that CCF and SCF were generally in compliance with selected policies and procedures related to safety and security. However, we noted reportable conditions related to gate manifests, employee searches, prisoner shakedowns and cell searches, key security, tool control, metal detector calibration, and preventive maintenance (Findings 1 through 7).

Audit Objective:

To assess the effectiveness and efficiency of CCF's and SCF's food service operations, prisoner accounts, and prisoner store operations.

Audit Conclusion:

We concluded that CCF's and SCF's food service operations, prisoner accounts, and prisoner store operations were generally effective and efficient. Our report does not include any reportable conditions related to this audit objective.

Agency Response:

Our audit report includes 7 findings and 10 corresponding recommendations. CCF's and SCF's preliminary response indicates that they agree with the recommendations and have complied or will comply with them.

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